



AFTER PROMOTION—Captain John A. Thomas Jr., Torrance, receives the silver bars signifying his new rank from his wife, Dagmar, at the Presidio of San Francisco, Calif. Captain Thomas, whose parents live at 1529 W. 227th St., Torrance is an aviator in the Sixth U. S. Army Flight Detachment. The captain entered the Army in March 1954. He is a 1947 graduate of Washington High School, Los Angeles, and attended the University of California at Los Angeles. Captain Thomas is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

PTA News

Hamilton PTA open meeting was held at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 17 in the school cafeteria. "Building Multi-grade Understanding" was the topic chosen for the meeting. Mrs. Arthur Stilwell stated that there was a demonstration by the lower level (grades 1-2-3) and multi-grade teachers, Mrs. Madeleine Woehlecke, Miss Beverly Robinson and Mrs. Gloria Wade evaluated results of this technique of teaching. A spirit of levity was injected by the Ladies' Barbershop Quartet, under the

able direction of Miss Syra Gold. Included on the business agenda was a report on the success of the recent carnival by Mrs. M. R. Stiles, ways and means chairman. Refreshments were furnished by the eighth grade mothers and child care will be provided. At the recent executive board meeting, conducted in the cafeteria by Mmes. W. H. Bayliff, president, and Jack Cleveland, membership chairman, reported a total of 488 memberships at Hamilton PTA. Mrs. Joyce Gualtieri,

lower grades, and Miss Susan Mathews, upper grades, were the winners of cash prizes. Mrs. Clifford Brink stated that the recent Parent Education meeting was both informative and interesting. A symposium, composed of Miss Marilyn LaBerge and Mrs. Anna Hause, teachers, and Mr. Dale Wickstrom, principal, discussed progress reporting and teachings methods employed at Torrance schools. Executive board voted that the PTA sponsor a non-perishable food drive for baskets for needy at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Mrs. Arthur Hanson and Mrs. Muriel Cassidy, school nurse, will head this drive. A revolving fund

to lend money for lunch or milk was also inaugurated. Mrs. David Bartin, an eighth grade room mother, was a special guest at this board meeting. **Calle Mayor PTA** November meeting was presided over by Mrs. Carol Fox, acting moderator. The subject for the meeting was "How Reading is Taught at Calle Mayor?" Teachers explained the method used in each room. Table in the rear of the room were used for a display of material currently being used. Frank Burke announced that December 1 is the day set for the paper drive. Mem-

bers are urged to save their papers and get them to school December 1, stated Burke. **Newton PTA** will sponsor the week of Nov. 28 through Dec. 3, "Christmas For The Navajos." Your gift of warm clothing, warm bedding, shoes, boots, canned milk and other canned goods will help the Navajos survive the winter, and a serviceable toy will brighten an Indian child's Christmas. So how about that coat you never wear? The sweater that shrank? Those walking shoes with round toes? The blanket that needs a new binding? The shirts your son has out-grown, or the doll your daughter has out-grown? Bring the family to Newton at 7:30, Nov 29 to see movies of the Navajos made in recent years by Roger Bowling. Refreshments will be served. **Meadow Park PTA** will hold its annual Christmas program at the school cafeteria Dec. 14, 7:30 p.m. The theme of the evening will be "Polar Flight," featuring a program in which students will participate. The school choir will be led by Robert Norman, director. Robert Simon will direct school orchestra.

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Madrona PTA was fortunate to have Sgt. L. D. McGinnis give a talk on "Child Moesters" which proved an informative meeting for all who attended.

No one will want to miss the meeting, December 8, at 7:30 p.m. The theme will be "Christmas Treasures" and will feature a children's program.

Other PTA activities will be the faculty party, Dec. 9 at the home of Mrs. James Cassidy; and on Dec. 18 a board member party at the home of Mrs. Robert Bowen. Everyone is urged to attend their respective parties and have holiday fun according to Mrs. R. E. Bowen, publicity chairman.

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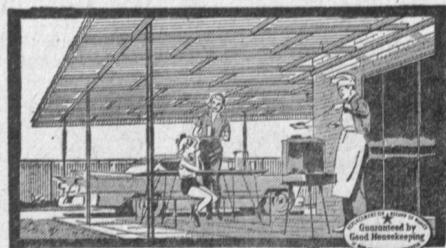
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